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Attorney Docket No.: SC11714TP

To: Commissioner for Patents  
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Dear Commissioner:

Transmitted herewith for filing under 37 C.F.R. §1.53(b) is a Nonprovisional Utility Patent Application for a New Application entitled:

SELECTIVE METAL OXIDE REMOVAL by:

Christopher C. Hobbs et al.

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  X   Newly executed Combined Declaration and Power of Attorney.

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  X   A paper entitled "Authorization for Fees Under 37 C.F.R. §§1.16 and 1.17 and Petitions for Extensions of Time."

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       Priority of patent application number        filed on        in        is hereby claimed under 35 U.S.C. §119.

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       Priority of U.S. Patent Application No.        filed on        is hereby claimed under 35 U.S.C. §119(e).

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Respectfully submitted,

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